

the loss exceeds \$5,000 the claimant should be paid as long as the payment does not exceed \$5,000.

Hon. Mr. BOSTOCK from the Committee, reported the Bill without amendment.

BOUNTIES ON IRON AND STEEL BILL. FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill (No. 231) An Act respecting bounties on iron and steel made in Canada.

The Bill was read the first time.

Rt. Hon. Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT moved the second reading of the Bill. He said: This Bill abolishes the bounty on the larger proportion and fixes a limit, which at present does not exist, to the bounty on wire rods. That is the sole purport of the Bill. At present no limitation exists: it might go on forever for all our statute says; but it is limited now to the 30th day of June, 1911. In the other case, the bounties will be abolished altogether.

Hon. Mr. McSWEENEY—When?

Rt. Hon. Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT—I think on the 1st of January next.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill passed through its final stages.

THE DEPARTURE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

MOTION.

The following message was received from the House of Commons:—

To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Albert Henry George, Earl Grey, Viscount Howick, Baron Grey of Howick, in the County of Northumberland, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, One of His Majesty's Honourable Privy Council, and a Baronet; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, &c., &c., Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada.

May it please Your Excellency:

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada in parliament assembled, beg leave to convey to Your Excellency an expression of the general feeling of regret with which all classes in this country have learned that your official connection with Canada is soon to cease.

It must be a source of gratification to Your Excellency, on your retirement from the high office of Governor General, to realize that the period of your administration has been characterized by general and increasing prosperity in every portion of the Dominion.

The zeal with which Your Excellency has sought, by personal observation, to gain an intimate knowledge of the character, possibilities and requirements of every section of the country, has been highly appreciated by the people of Canada.

The special interest which Your Excellency has taken in everything calculated to foster a high sense of public duty and responsibility, to stimulate intellectual development and to advance science and art, will long be gratefully remembered; while the success of your endeavours in cultivating the growth of a Canadian spirit has strengthened us in the belief that the full development of our national life is compatible with the closest and most loyal connection with the empire. The National Park established at Quebec on the Plains of Abraham will remain as an enduring monument to Your Excellency's wise and enlightened efforts to this end.

We beg that Your Excellency will express to the King our loyal attachment to His Majesty's Throne and Person, and our united resolve to accomplish our part in the maintenance and upbuilding of His Majesty's empire.

In saying farewell to Your Excellency and family, we cannot refrain from expressing our appreciation of the important and gracious part taken by Her Excellency the Countess Grey in the success which has marked the discharge of your high responsibilities and labours; the helpful, generous and sympathetic co-operation afforded by Her Excellency and by your daughters, Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn, in the performance of our public and social duties has won for them an enduring place in the affection and respect of the Canadian people.

In conclusion, we beg to assure Your Excellency that you will always have our warmest wishes for the future happiness of yourself and family.

Rt. Hon. Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT

—The duty which falls to my lot to-night is partly pleasant and partly painful. It is a pleasure to me to join in the well-earned congratulations which the House of Commons are extending to His Excellency in respect to the manner in which he has discharged the duties of his high office during the period that he has been Governor General of Canada; and it is also with a source of regret to me, as I am sure it will be to all members in this Chamber and elsewhere, that we are obliged to bid farewell to one who has so well filled the duties of that important office as Lord Grey has done. Certainly, in Canada, we cannot complain that, whatever the British government may or may not have done, they have not failed to send us men of the most distinguished